

Remarks

1. Introduction

Claims 32-37 and 66-71 are currently pending. Claim 32 is an independent claims.

2. Election/Restrictions

The Office Action issued a restriction to the following groups:

- I. Claims 1-13 and 62-71;
- II Claims 14-24 and 58-61;
- III Claims 32-37 and 66-71;
- IV Claims 38-45 and 75; and
- V Claims 46-57 and 76.

The Office action stated that the first group was constructively selected. Applicants hereby elect group III (claims 32-37 and 66-71) and withdraw the remaining claims without prejudice.

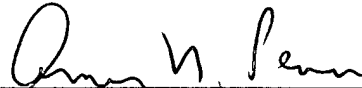
3. Rejections based on 35 U.S.C. §§102, 103

Claims 1-13 and 62-65 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§102, 103 as being unpatentable. Since Applicants have elected group III, the Office Action's rejection of the claims in Group I are moot.

4. Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit pending claims 32-37 and 66-71 are allowable in their present form, and hereby request allowance of the claims. If any questions arise or issues remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below in order to expedite disposition of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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